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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant would like to thank Examiner Tran for the courtesy she showed the Applicant's representative during a telephone conversation on December 15, 2003. Per the Examiner's request, this Supplementary Response and Amendment cancels claims 29-34. As discussed with the Examiner, the Applicant expects that claims 21-24 previously withdrawn will be rejoined into the application should allowable subject matter be found. Further, as requested by the Examiner support for the amendments to the claims in the Response and Amendment dated November 24, 2003 can be found in the application as originally filed as follows, among other places:

Page 5, line 16 to page 6, line 1;

Page 6, lines 15-21;

Page 8, line 9 to page 9, lines 5;

Page 10, lines 1-4;

Page 10, lines 12-16;

Page 11, lines 5-10;

Page 12, lines 8-17;

Page 12, line 25 to page 13, line 2;

Page 14, lines 13-26;

Page 17, lines 3-16; and

In the originally filed claims 4 and 13.

In the Claims, Claim 13, page 25, line 14.

CONCLUSION

Claims 11-16, 18-24, 28 and 35-38 are now believed to be in condition for allowance for the reasons indicated in the prior Response and Amendment filed November 24, 2003 and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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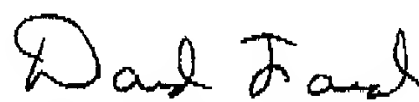
If any extension of time is required, such extension is hereby requested. No fee is believed due in connection with this communication. However, if any fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 19-2090.

Respectfully submitted,

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